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Cal/EPA Secretary Alan Lloyd Announces Retirement

(SACRAMENTO) – California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA) Secretary Alan C. Lloyd, Ph.D., today announced he will retire from state service for personal reasons effective February 28, 2006.

"I am honored to have served Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and the people of California as Secretary of Cal/EPA, but I felt it was time to retire from state service so I could spend more time with my family," said Dr. Lloyd. "Over the past two years the governor has made great progress in cleaning California's air, promoting zero-emission solar and hydrogen technologies, and making California a world leader in reducing greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change."

Dr. Lloyd, 64, continued, "Cal/EPA has accomplished great things under Governor Schwarzenegger's leadership, and I am confident that the governor's next appointee to this position will continue to carry out his vision for a clean and safe California."

Governor Schwarzenegger said, "Alan has served as a remarkable leader of California's efforts to protect and conserve our state's incredible environment and landscape. He has worked to improve our air quality, expand the hydrogen highway and worked to make California a world leader in addressing the causes of climate change. I want to thank him for his service to the people of this great state."

Prior to his appointment in December 2004, Dr. Lloyd served as chairman of the California Air Resources Board (ARB) for six years, where he led efforts to initiate California's diesel risk reduction measures and stimulated demand for superclean cars, hybrids and fuel cell vehicles. He also guided the implementation of the Schwarzenegger-Pavley Green House Gas regulations. In addition, Dr. Lloyd led efforts resulting in the adoption of the Environmental Justice Policy for ARB.

During Dr. Lloyd's tenure at Cal/EPA, the agency has implemented a variety of programs and initiatives including the Climate Action Initiative, the California Electronic Recycling Act, the California Hydrogen Highway Network, and the California Stationary Fuel Cell Collaborative.

Prior to his appointment as ARB chairman, Dr. Lloyd served as executive director of the Energy and Environmental Engineering Center for the Desert Research Institute at the University and Community College System of Nevada, Reno, and as chief scientist at the South Coast Air Quality Management District.

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